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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 13 March 2006.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-32 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 8-14 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 and 15-32 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Specification

1. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: page 1, lines 5-7, the U.S. Provisional Application needs to be updated; page 2, line 2, "Beek")" should be "Beek")". Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Objections

2. Claims 1-32 are objected to because of the following informalities:

In claim 1, line 3, "ensemble correlation function output" should be "an ensemble correlation function" since an ensemble correlation function is computed by the ensemble correlator 54 as mentioned in the specification, but not an ensemble correlation function output.

In claim 1 (line 6), claims 2-3 and 5-6 (line 2), claim 8 (lines 2 and 6), claims 9-11 (line 3), claim 15 (lines 4 and 6), claims 16-19 (line 2), claim 22 (line 3), claim 23 (line 4), claims 24-25 (line 3) and claim 28 (lines 3 and 6), the word "output" should be deleted:

In claim 8, line 3, the word "and" should be deleted.

In claim 15 (line 1), claim 16 (lines 5-6) and claim 23 (lines 2 and 8), "delay spread" should be "delay-spread".

In claim 23, line 7, "of the symbol" should be "of a symbol".

In claim 32, line 3, "multi-path" should be "multipath".

Dependent claims 4, 7, 12-14, 20-21, 26-27, and 29-31 are objected to because they are depended upon independent claims 1, 8, 15, 22 and 28.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

3. The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

4. Claims 8-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and/or use the invention.

The configuration of claims 8 and 11 does not correspond to the disclosure of Figure 6. For example, claim 8 recites a subtractor (66), operatively coupled a correlator (54) for determining a valid sampling region based on a width of a plateau of an ensemble correlation function. However, claim 11 further recites a comparator (60), operatively coupled to the correlator, for comparing the ensemble correlation function to a threshold to define the valid sampling region. In other word, is the valid sampling region obtained from the subtractor (66) or the comparator (60)?

Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 1-7 and 15-32 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the objection(s) set forth in this Office action.

Conclusion

6. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

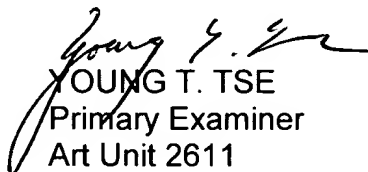
A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to YOUNG T. TSE whose telephone number is (571) 272-3051. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jay Patel can be reached on (571) 272-2988. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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